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Dear Dr. Gray

I have a letter to C. L. Hedfield and shall be most glad to take a set of the Salvia plants from S. Cal. Please let me know when you have anything of that kind on hand.

I mention Sanderson the U.S.D.A. and will in with Hedfield as suggestion in regard to the Phila Coal.

Darwin very kindly sent me his most interesting book. It will help me with Darlington if I get time to go ahead with it, & am doing my poor best, - Gray's secretion & appendages named & line drawing accepted but I still doubt that, the secretion acid and absorption of matt. digested likely, &c. Can to or the habit in plant which

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no doubt — for the — but with the
two weeks I think they
may possibly be shorter.

Am still giving all my time
to this City but hope to be relieved
in a few or two or three weeks.

A letter from Dr. Engelmann gives
some interesting points about the
Hon. Mr. Scott.

With kind regards to Mrs. Gray
in which my wife joins,

Yours cordially

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